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(b) Enquiry system is yet to start, hence no earning estimates can be given at this stage.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Doubling of Konkan Railway track

1909. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Konkan Railway Corporation has proposal to double the existing Konkan Railway tracks;

(b) the cost involved in the project,;

(c) whether the corporation has approached Government for loan or financial assistance in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Does not arise.

Gauge conversion in Himachal Pradesh

1910. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of projects for conversion of narrow gauge line into broad gauge line are being taken up to provide access to backward, under-developed, hilly and remote areas of the country;

(b) the details of funds allocated to the Himachal Pradesh for conversion of narrow gauge line during the last five years;

(c) whether the work on project of conversion of narrow gauge line from Pathankot to Joginder Nagar has not been started, so far; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and by when this project is likely to be taken up within the time limit stipulated for its completion?